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BEAST: David



HOOKED: Phina

CAMP David Gest has emerged as the sexiest beast in the TV jungle after saucy babe Phina Oruche begged him: "Take me to bed."

And if the blubbery music mogul has any energy left after getting steamy with Footballers' Wives star Phina, sexy singer Myleene Klass has the hots for him too.

Plastic-faced Gest is really working his charms as I'm A Celebrity 6 hits our screens tonight.

Jungle Special: Pages 4,5,6&7





...AND SEXY MYLEENE WANTS A PIECE OF HIM TOO!

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Brown gets tough

GORDON Brown last night promised to make tackling terrorism his top priority if he got the keys to Number 10. The Chancellor said it was time for the Prime Minister to "take the lead" and backed calls from Britain's top cop. Sir Ian Blair, for anti-terror powers to be toughened. Mr Brown said: "Action against terrorism deserves a dedicated seat at the top table. "If you are Prime Minister,

you simply cannot devolve responsibility for protecting the nation. It must always be your first priority.

Terror

"But ultimately, because the fight against terrorism must be fought both at home and abroad, it is the Prime Minister who must take the lead, as Tony Blair has done."

Brown – runaway favourite to become next PM – also said he "completely agreed" with Metropolitan Police chief Sir Ian's plea for stronger laws to hold terror suspects without charge, including extending the 28-day limit.

In a speech in Berlin yesterday Sir lan admitted that if there had been more than 24 suspects in the recent alleged airline plot, "we would probably have run out of time".



TARGETING TERROR: Brown

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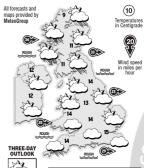
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TODAY: Cloud will break across central England and south Walles. Southern English counties will have patchy rain. The rest of the UK will have sunshine but with showers, frequent across central and western Scotland.

OUTLOOK: Tomorrow, southern England and Wales will be cloudy with some rain. Sunny spells and showers elsewhere. Cloudy on Wednesday with some rain. Wednesday with more rain.



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FOUR British soldiers were killed and three were badly hurt yesterday when their

boat was blown up in Iraq.
The troops were patrolling the Shatt Al Arab waterway off Basra

Shatt Al Arab waterway off Basra when militiamen detonated a bomb as they passed.

No details were released about the men's identities as next of kin were still being contacted last night.

Royal Marines have been guarding the waterway - the meeting point of the Euphrates and Tigris rivers - for three years.

At least one of the injured men was said to be fighting for his life.

Hospital

The three injured men, believed to have been in a support boat, were evacuated by helicopter to a field hospital at the nearby Shaibah base.
British military spokesman Captain Tane Dunlop said explosives and weapons experts were examining the incident to determine exactly what had happened. It was unclear whether the device had been in the water or had been fired from the banks of the waterway.

Captain Dunlop added:
"The use of improvised explosive devices is very common in Iraq.

explosive devices is very common in Iraq. "There have been a num-ber of such attacks in the Basra province and city." Troops were last night trying to track down the attackers.

attackers.
Sources in Iraq said it was believed to be the first time that such an assault had been made on a boot natrol

a boat patrol.

Defence Secretary Des Browne said in a state-ment: "This terrible inci-dent reinforces in our minds the sacrifice made

■ by TOM SAVAGE

by the brave men and women of our armed

women of our armeu forces. "My thoughts are with the families of the four so tragically killed and of those who were wounded.

Proud

"This blow will be felt too by their friends and colleagues across the services, who continue to display the courage and professionalism of which we are rightly proud." Liberal Democrat leader

Sir Menzies Campbell said: "Our thoughts must

immediately be with the

immediately be with the families and friends of those who have been killed and injurred." Elsewhere in Iraq, three American soldiers were killed in combat in western Al-Anbar province. Two suicide bombers killed 35 people and wounded 60 at a police commando centre in western Baghdad. Baghdad.

Baghdad.
Police in the capital last night found more than 75 bodies dumped on the city's streets.

Never forget them:
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LOTTO DAILY PLAY SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11

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No ticket won the £103.3m jackpot

Drugs rap anger

LABOUR'S pledge to crackdown on drug dealers was in LABOUR'S pledge to crackdown on drug dealers was in tatters last night after it was revealed that just two out of 36,000 criminals jailed for supplying class A drugs received a maximum sentence.

Home Office figures show that between 2000 and 2004, 35,855 people were convicted of supplying cocaine, heroin, crack, ecstasy, LSD and methadone.

But just two of these were handed a life sentence – the maximum available to courts in England and Wales.

Last night Tory MP David Davies, who uncovered the figures after a question to Home Secretary John Reid, described the situation as "an appalling travesty".

UNDER FIRE: A

waterway patrol boat, above, and car bomb wreckage in

Baghdad

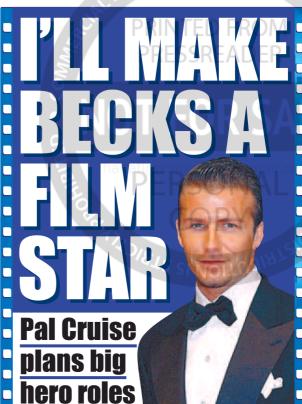
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■ by NADINE LINGE DAVID Beckham is being groomed for Hollywood stardom – and he'll link up with pal Tom Cruise

up with pal form Cruise for a string of top roles. A leading showbiz tycoon is planning to launch the ex-England skipper, 31, as a silver-screen action hero if he moves to LA.

nero if he moves to LA.
And Mission: Impossible
star Cruise, 44, could be
the key to Becks success.
They are close friends
and the Beckhams are
expected to be among the
500 guests at his Italian
wedding to Katie Holmes,
27, next week.

Hits

Entreprenuer Robert Sillerman is working on a strategy to launch Beckham's film career, codenamed Plan B. It rests on the player quitting Real Madrid where he's rumoured to be unhappy for the Los Angeles Galaxy team. Becks will start off with cameo roles, like ex-Wimbledon footballer Vinnie Jones, 41, who appeared in hits such as Gone In 60 Seconds alongside Nicolas Cage, 42. The small spots could be filmed in between matches for the Galaxy before he moves on to bigger roles when his playing days are over. Sillerman, 57, owns the Beckhams' London management firm 19 Entertainment.

And he has promised to turn David and Victoria, 32, into an American

LICENSED TO THRILL: Becks and, inset, big mate Cruise

"power couple". There's even talk Becks could land the James Bond role after current 007 Daniel Craig, 38, if his profile soars high enough. One Hollywood executive said: "If Daniel Craig doesn't work out as 007, Beckham could step into his shoes." Beckham is also likely to team up with Cruise, who has moved behind the camera.

with Cruise, who has moved benind the camera. He plans to produce 12 films over the next three years – mainly action flicks, which would be perfect for superfit Beckham. Man with golden puns: Page 12

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COVER-UP: Nikki

SAUCY Nikki Sanderson says she is too shy for nude scenes.
The sexy ex-Corrie star made her confession despite whipping her top off for her latest TV role. Nikki, 22, got so worried about filming sex scenes for ITV1's Strictly Confidential which starts on Thursday at 9pm, she felt sick. She said: "I don't even get my boobs out on holiday."

FICIAL I'm A Celebrity paper



SLIPPERY CUSTOMER: Gest with a new pal

Phina and pals fight over Gest



■ from PETER DYKE in Oz **SCARY David Gest and** Bible-bashing virgin
Phina Oruche look set
to become the oddest
couple ever seen on I'm
a Celebrity.
Footballers' Wives babe

Footballers' Wives babe Phina, 34, has already offered to sleep with the camp Yank.

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But she faces tough competition
to get her hands on Liza
Minnelli's ex, who is fast becoming the ITV show's most unlikely
babe magnet.
Gorgeous singer Myleene Klass,
28, and even former BBC newsreader Jan Leeming, 64, have also
fallen for his dubious charms.
Gest won over all the girls with
his bravery when the celebs were
shown the deadly creatures they'll
encounter in the camp. But Phina



LEND A HAND: The celebs have a bonding session before going into the jungle camp

is the favourite to form a bizarre union with Gest – who claims to be 48, but is believed to be 53. When she asked him to sleep with her in the jungle camp, the music mogul accepted in a flash. He said: "Phina is the bomb. Sexy, great voice and makes me laugh. She is a great beauty." Curvy former model Phina — who has taken a Bible into the jungle and claims to be a virgin – repaid the compliment by calling him "my Braveheart".

When the celebs were shown the

type of creatures they might face in the Australian Bush, Gest was the first to step forward and touch one of the huge jungle spiders. He also handled a python and a deadly brown snake, which he cheekily nicknamed Ant and Decafter the show's Geordie hosts. Foxy Phina, who played lesbian Liberty Baker in Footballers' Wives, cooed: "Oh David, you're so brave. Will you protect me from the leeches?
"I'll sleep with you. Not next to

"I'll sleep with you. Not next to your bed, not near your bed – I'm

going into the jungle camp
going to be with you in your bed."
Gest purred: "I accept your invitation. You are so cute."
But musician Myleene was also
impressed and added: "Bags I
sleep next to David. He'Il be great
if any creatures get into camp."
The other celebs were curious to
know how the ex-husband of
Hollywood superstar Minnelli, 60,
knew so much about the wildlife
and why he felt at ease with them.
He replied: "My friend Michael
Jackson taught me."
Gest, who's being paid a whopping £100,000 to appear on
the ITV1 show, then won
over stressed Jan Leeming
by giving her a massage.
She was so thrilled, she
asked him: "What can I do
for you in return?"
He joked: "Speed up my
divore from Liza."
However, one woman
who failed to impress him
was Lauren Booth, 39, who
said Gest was more frightening than Jacko.

Freeky

Freaky

The pair had a confrontation just before they set off for the camp after he found out she'd been making fun of his looks.

Gest, who refuses to say if he's had plastic surgery, had learned the hack had remarked on his "freaky" image and branded him "ironing board face".

When they met for the first time at the luxury Versace Hotel on the Gold Coast, ahead of the show's launch, Gest told her: "You've had such great things to say about me in the papers. Anything else you want to say?"

Lauren tried to excuse herself: "It's just those flippant remarks you say when you are nervous."

But Gest snubbed her, turning his back on her.

• I'm a Celebrity kicks off on ITV1 at 9pm tonight.



WE'RE READY TO RUMBLE: Back row, from left, Jason, Scott, David, Toby and Matt, Front row, Faith, Jan. Phina, Lauren and Myleene

OFFICIAL I'm A Celebrity paper

RUNNING SCARED: Phina is relying on 'Braveheart' David to keep the creepy-crawlies at bay





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king for love.
yay, everything is
on camera. If I do
g, I'll face the conses because Emma is
flying out to Oz
the end of the show.

NAUGHTY Myleene Klass was caught trying to sneak extra grub into the jungle – inside her bra.

She tucked jam and butter down her cleavage, fearing she'll end up starving in the Bush.

But sharp-eyed security gnards rumbled her plan.

They frisked her before she headed into the camp and

discovered the sexy former Hear'Say singer's secret booty.

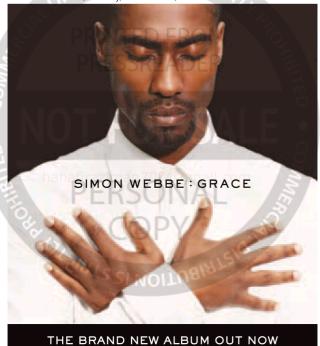
A source said: "Myleene has a terrible sweet tooth. She's been scoffing loads of chocolate and cake at her hotel ahead of

chocolate and cake at her hotel anead or the show.

"Just before their trip into the Bush, all the stars were treated to a buffet. Myleene grabbed some jam and butter and stuffed it down her bra.

"She knows it's going to get tough on the show and that she could end up eating rice and beans."

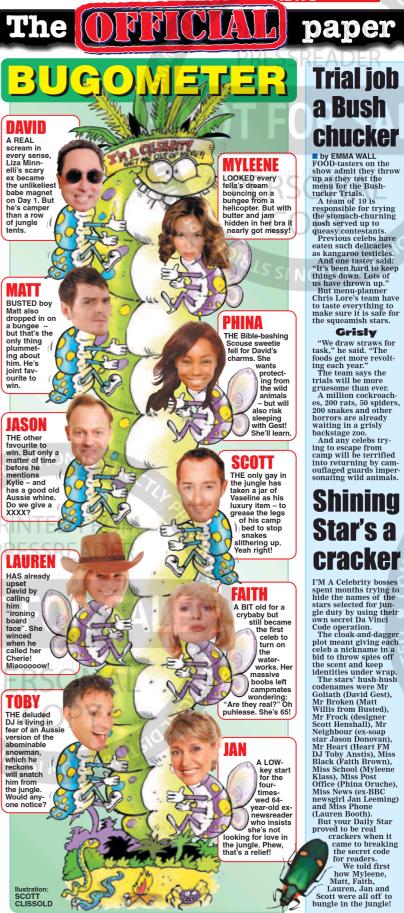
But she wasn't the only one caught out yesterday. Comic Faith Brown, 65, tried sneaking hairclips in, while catwalk designer Scott Henshall, 30, was caught with some extra pairs of woolly socks.



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THE Queen yesterday led the nation's THE Queen yesterday led the nation's tributes as Britain honoured its victims of war. Thousands of veterans joined her at the Remembrance Day ceremony at the Cenotaph in central London. Meanwhile in Iraq and Afghanistan soldiers serving on the front line also took time out to remember their fallen comrades. Back in Whitehall Iraq war widow Ragual Harner-

remember their fallen comrades.
Back in Whitehall, Iraq war widow Raqual Harper-Titchener laid a wreath of autumn leaves in memory of the 16,000 who have been killed on duty since World War Two.
Her husband, Major Matthew Harper-Matthew Harper-Titchener, 32, died in Iraq in August 2003.

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**Prince William, 24, and his stoppulse Cappulse Cappulse

Sacrifice

Raqual, 31, said: "It's an honour and a privilege to be here. It's also recognition for Matthew and for all those who have continued to pay the ultimate sacrifice."

Another special wreath was laid in London when a schoolgirl carried a circle of popples containing the initials of the Shot At Dawn campaign, which aims to secure pardons for executed soldiers.

But the first wreath was laid by the Queen, 80, ignoring twinges from her bad back.

She was followed by



the Duke of Edinburgh, 85, Prince Charles, 57, and other royals.
Prince William, 24, and his stepmum Camilla, 59, watched from the Foreign Office balcony.
William's brother Prince Harry, 22, was attending a private service with the Household Cavalry in Windsor.
Tony Blain, 53, joined former Prime Ministers Baroness Thatcher, 81, and Sir John Major, 63, at the Cenotaph ceremony.
There were also wreath-laying ceremonies in towns and cities across the country.
A total of 125 British forces personnel have died in Iraq since 2001.

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GIRL ON FILM: Britney with Kevin

EXCLUSIVE by IAIN BURCHELL

Dumped hubby has film of their

BRITNEY Spears has launched a desperate bid to stop a "dynamite" sex tape of her romping with Kevin Federline being seen around the world.

The furious pop princess is in crisis talks with her lawyers after her dumped husband threatened to sell the X-rated film to the highest bidder.

X-rated film to the highest bidder.
Federline has reportedly boasted to pals the four-hour tape shows a maked Britney performing a series of explicit sex acts.

It's believed to include the "insatiable" couple playing raunchy sex games. Sources say the footage is so red-hot it makes Paris Hilton's infamous home-made sex movie look "like Disney".

The tape is sure to send the internet into meltdown if it is released.

Kev is understood to have

if it is released.

Kev is understood to have been offered £26million by a film company.

And legal experts say Britney, 24, will struggle to stop the wannabe rapper doing a deal because the tape belongs to him.

Fortune

She faces paying the fifth divorce settlement he is demanding to prevent the film getting out. Federline, 28, also wants custody of their children Sean Preston, one, and Jaden James, eight weeks. Britney has a water-tight pre-nuptial agreement giving him as little as £160,000 of her £55m fortune. But the tape could make the pre-nup worthless and shatter Britney's hopes of resurrecting her pop career. A source close to the Toxic singer said: "She is absolutely furious with Kevin, and knows a full-on sex video could almost certainly ruin her chance of a career comeback. "They were made for the couple to watch in the privacy of their home. She never thought he would sell them. "Britney has contacted

sell them.
"Britney has contacted "Britiney has contacted her lawyers to see how she can stop him but it is going to be a hard one.
"It is his tape, so in theory he owns the copyright."

Split's a Brit of all right: Page 33

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BIG MONEY: Brit on stage

£65m empire of pop royalty

THE pre-nup drawn up by Britney's legal team reveals how the princess of pop made the £65m fortune she's desperate to protect. Her lawyers drew up a detailed list of all her worldwide assets for the 60-page agreement. It shows exactly how much she was worth when she married Kevin Federline:

MUSIC: £13.5m:
Britney earned £5.2m
from her fourth album
In The Zone, before
recording costs and
royalty fees. Her company Britney Touring
earned an average of
£210,526 a night
during her 2004 tour.

MERCHANDISE: £8.5m MERCHANDISE: £8.5m Brit has made £6m from perfume. She signed a five-year deal with Elizabeth Arden in February 2004 to



launch her own range of perfumes, cosmetics and skincare.

and skincare.
Her company Britney
Brands received a
£1.5m advance against
sales of merchandise
for her 2004 tour.
Sales of Britney dolls
brought in over £1m.

TV AND MOVIES: £2m TV AND MOVIES: £2m Britney was paid £1.57m to star in the movie Crossroads. She earned £400,000 a time for US TV specials.

ENDORSEMENTS: £11m ENDORSEMENTS: £11n Includes deals with Pepsi (£4.73m), Toyota (£1m), Samsung (£2m), Japanese brewery Kirin (£1m) and Skechers (£1m).

PROPERTY AND VALUABLES: £11.5m In 2004 Britney had six homes worth £8m. Her jewellery was valued at £170,000. She owned forestry worth £3.1m.

ANNUAL EARNINGS In 2001 she made £10.2m – dropping to £2.1m in 2004. In June 2004, she had £16.92m in the bank.

STAR NEWS









The star gets all snacky of his country weekend with **EAT DOHERTY**



Pair set for

■ **EXCLUSIVE** by LEIGH PURVES

SINGER Pete Doherty is planning to float away with Kate Moss this Christmas – on their very own love boat. The Babyshambles frontman, 27, is borrowing a canal boat for the festive season and has invited model Kate, 32, to into him or board.

borrowing a canal boat for the festive season and has invited model Kate, 32, to join him on board.

The loved-up couple spent the weekend in the Cotswolds, where Kate has a cottage.

And the model enjoyed taking Pete for a spin in the countryside in her classic open-topped MG Midget.

But pals say Pete secretly yearns for life afloat and is thinking of living permanently on a canal boat.

A friend said: "Pete just fancied doing something different this Christmas, so he is borrowing a canal barge from a friend for him and Kate to spend the holiday season on.

"They will have a quiet Christmas – it will just be the two of them plus Kate's four-year-old daughter Lila-Grace.

"Pete has always had a passion for the water and went on several barge holidays with mates in his teens.

"He's even told pals, including Kate, that his forem is to live on an old canal

"He's even told pals, including Kate, that his dream is to live on an old canal barge full-time."

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■ by LAURA NEIL

⑤ "You appear tense...
down, one should always be relaxed." Bond to Fatima before a diving trip, Never Say Never Again.
⑥ "When one is in Egypt, one should delve deeply into its treasures." Bond, The Spy Who Loved Me.
⑦ "It's just the right size for me, that is." Bond remarks on Tatiana's mouth, From Russia With Love.
⑧ "The bubbles tickle the property of a Kill.
③ "Something big's come."

9 "Something big's come up." Bond chatting in bed with Jill Masterson,

oddfinger.

O'think I will enjoy very much serving under you. 'Aki to Bond, You Only Live Twice.

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PRECIOUS LINE: Sean Connery with Shirley Eaton as sexy Jill Masterson in Goldfinger



YULE JUST LOVE THIS: Pierce Brosnan with Denise Richards, alias Dr Christmas



BIGMOUTH: Daniela Bianchi as Tatiana with Connery in From Russia With Love



ON TOP: Bond with actress Mie Hama in a steamy scene from You Only Live Twice



DIAMOND GEEZER: Our hero on the job with Tiffany Case, played by Jill St John

Rap for cover dodge drivers

STAR NEWS

by LAURA NEIL
COURTS have been urged to get tough on motorists driving without insurance. Transport Minister Stephen Ladyman said current fines, often less than the cost of cover, were not tough enough to deter people from breaking the law.
Speaking on Tonight With Trevor McDonald on ITV1, screened at 8pm this evening, he said: "If the fine is less than the cost of insurance, then why would you buy insurance?"
The programme reveals motorists are exploiting a loophole in police powers to seize and destroy cars of uninsured drivers in order to re-claim vehicles before they're crushed.

Turning

Drivers with comprehensive insurance cover for any car are turning up to collect impounded vehicles on behalf of their uninsured owners. People with comprehensive policies are able to take away any seized car simply by producing their own insurance certificate. Mr Ladyman said: "It appears to be being used by some people fairly extensively. "It's been suggested to me that one person repatriated about 60 vehicles in this particular way." The UK's estimated 2million uninsured drivers cause one in ten of all smashes. Last year 12,000 people were injured and 150 killed in accidents involving drivers without any cover.



Guests **save PC**

A WOMAN Pc rescued by wedding guests when her car crashed into a river was fighting for her life last night.

car crashed into a river was fightling for her life last night. The officer was on patrol with a male colleague when their car mysteriously hit concrete pillars and landed in three feet of water.

The male officer escaped but she was left trapped. Guests at a wedding reception in a hotel helped paramedics free her. Her condition was said to be "serious but stable" in intensive care.

The accident in the early hours of yesterday morning was on the banks of the River Ouse in Bedford. Bedfordshire Police said last night: "The matter is under investigation."



HYPRIATE It's Lotto loser over 12 years

NUMBER 13 is the National

Lottery's unluckiest ball.
It has come up just 132 times in 12 years – 117 as a main ball and 15 as the bonus ball.

bonus ball.

Luckiest balls are 38, 25 and 31. Number 38 has come up 199 times, 168 as a main and 31 as the bonus; 25 scores 155 for main and 31 as bonus; 31 has been a main ball on 153 occasions and a bonus ball 31 times.

Organisers Camelot unveiled the statistics just ahead of the Lotto's 12th birthday next week.

Odds

But they insist punters shouldn't stop choosing number 13 – because there's no way of predicting which balls will be the luckiest or unluckiest in

be the lucklest or unlucklest in the future. And remember... It Could Be You! Since 1994, more than 1,900 players have become millionaires or multi-millionaires of despite odds of 13,983,816-1 against hitting the jackpot with a £1 ticket. More than 70% of British adults enjoy a regular flutter with an average weekly stake of £3 on all Lottery games. At £5billion, the National Lottery's

■ by BILL MARTIN

annual sales are £1bn higher than the combined sales of Coca-Cola, Walker's crisps, Cadbury's Dairy Milk, Nescafé coffee, Hovis, Warburton and Kingsmill bread, Andrex tollet tissue, Müller yoghurt and Robinson's soft drinks.

So far, the Lottery has raised more than £18bn for good causes with a further £1.5bn earmarked to help fund the 2012 London Olympics and Paralympics.

The highest jackpot payout so far has been the £22.6million won by Mark Gardiner and Paul Maddison in 1995.

Camelot figures show that jackpot winners are a generous lot with one in seven handing £1m or more to a family member or friend.

One in four big winners have given away more than 30%.

Top targets for spending are cars, property and travel. More than 75% of jackpot winners have moved house and one in seven now owns a property abroad.

But a quarter of the winners who were employed when they bought their ticket STILL go to work.

Xtina live and swell

Oil's not well with JR plot

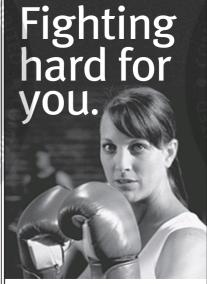
THE big-budget movie version of hit TV show Dallas is in crisis and may never be produced say insiders.

A host of stars including Shirley Maclaine, 72, and J.Lo, 37, had been lined up, but now only the role of JR Ewing – John Travolta, 52 – has been cast.

And shooting, scheduled

And shooting, scheduled to start this month, has been put back until January.

A source said: "It'll be a miracle if this gets made. The script totally sucks."



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MISSION: Beatrice

Bea is off to space

■ by ROSS KANIUK PRINCESS Beatrice is to boldly go where no Royal has gone before into space.

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The 18-year-old daughter of Prince Andrew and
Sarah Ferguson will fly on Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic mission. It is the first commercial spacecraft and is expected to begin flights in less than three years.

Flight

Beatrice was persuaded to take part in the three-and-half-hour flight by mew boyfriend David Clark, 24, who works in the sales and marketing division of Branson's latest project.
David, an Edinburgh graduate, said: "She took some persuading but she has agreed to do it." He would not say if Beatrice would be paying for the £100,000 ticket.

LET US TEXT...

METHODIST minister the Rev Stephen Robinson, 46, is inviting worshippers at his church in Nottingham to text him their prayers.

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STAR NEWS

TWO policemen dressed up as Batman and Robin to arrest

TWO policemen dressed up as Batman and Robin to arrest a suspected drugs offender.
Sgt Tony Smith and Pc Mike Holman went to his home pretending to be drunks looking for a fancy dress party. The suspect tried to make a run for it when he saw seven of their colleagues in uniform outside the house in Weymouth, Dorset. But Sgt Smith – who was dressed as Batman – chased him over a fence and nicked him. He said: "This was my first costumed acting experience. But it was tricky finding somewhere to put my CS spray."

TWITCHERS have spotted a north Pacific bird for the first time in Britain.
Enthusiasts are flocking to sleepy Dawlish on the Devon

Enthusiasts are hocking to sleepy Dawlish on the Devon coast to catch a glimpse of the long-billed murrelet. Mike Langman, of the Devon Birdwatch Preservation Society, said: "Idon't think Dawlish knows what has hit it. This is the first recorded sighting for Britain and only the second for the whole of Europe."

The black and white murrelet usually spends winter on the coasts of Japan, with a few reaching South Korea.

Tops for telly.. Sur Tops for telly..

THE X Factor's switch to an earlier time paid off as it finally won the Saturday ratings battle with Strictly Come Dancing.
The ITV1 show pulled in more than 11million viewers in its new 6.35pm slot – its best figures so far this series.
Strictly Come Dancing, starring EastEnder Louisa Lytton, 17, trailed for the

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■ by NIGEL PAULEY

first time this year despite a series-best 10m viewers.
The X Factor move also shot an arrow through the heart of BBC1's Robin Hood, which slumped to just 5.5m - three million less than six weeks ago.
An ITV1 source said: "We're pleased that our move paid off."



HUGE RATINGS: Louisa

Still a Ray of hope

X FACTOR bosses have denied that group Eton Road and Ray Quinn, 18, cheated viewers. Both acts were filmed auditioning for talent scouts just weeks before they appeared on the ITV hit series. But a show spokesman said: "Neither have signed a management contract. So, technically, they have not broken the rules."

A music insider said: "It looks like a video was leaked by someone with a grudge."





SHOW OF FORCE: Sharon as Princess Leia and Louis as Chewbacca



EXCLUS



TIME TO GO: Axed Nikitta isn't bitter

■ by CAMERON MILLAR STAR WARS broke out on The X Factor when Simon Cowell was dubbed Darth Vader.

TV's Mr Nasty stormed off the set in a rage after the cruel jibe from fellow judge Sharon from Osbourne.

The bust-up came after Simon, 47, was forced to send home one of his own acts.

He had to choose between Nikitta

Angus and Ray Quinn, both 18, after Sharon and Louis Walsh, both 54, split their votes.

Sharon voted to ditch Nikitta with

Sharon voted to ditch Nikitta with Louis opting for Ray. And Simon went through agony before saying: "The act I am sending home tonight is Nikitta."

But an insider on the hit show revealed last night: "Louis and Sharon made it their mission to wind him up big time.

Insult

"The Darth Vader insult really got to him as he felt they were making out he was just a film caricature.
"By the end, Simon had just had enough and he stormed out of the Xtra Factor follow-up show on ITV2. When the cameras stopped rolling he had a face like thunder.
"He knows he's been cornered by the two of them and just doesn't know what to do next." But Nikitta defended Simon's decision saying it was "her time to go".
She said: "He had to pick one of us. To be put in that position is not nice for anyone."

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Now she is planning a cosy reunion
with Jermaine Sanderson, 23, whose
band 4Sure was booted out earlier in
the contest. She admitted she missed



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